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1. An optical detecting sensor, comprising:
a sensor thin film transistor (TFT) generating optical current by incident light
reflected from an object;
a storage capacitor storing charges of the optical current generated in the sensor thin
film transistor; and
a switching TFT controlling a release of the stored charges of the storage capacitor to
an external circuit for display of an image of the object, the switching TFT having dual-
layered source and drain electrodes of a transparent conducting material and a metal material,
an active layer and a gate electrode.

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2. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 1, wherein the metal for the dual-
layered drain and source electrodes is a substantially non-transparent metal material.

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3. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 1, wherein the metal for the dual-
layered drain and source electrodes is selected from a group consisting of tungsten, chrome
and molybdenum.

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4. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 1, wherein the transparent conducting
material is indium tin oxide.

5. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 1, wherein the dual-layered source and
drain electrodes each comprise a transparent conducting material layer residing on a metal
material layer.

1 6. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 5, wherein the metal material is a
2 substantially non-transparent metal material.

1 7. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 1, wherein said switching thin film
2 transistor further comprises an ohmic contact layer on the active layer through which the
3 dual-layered drain and source electrodes contact the active layer.

1 8. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 7, wherein the dual-layered source and
2 drain electrodes each comprise a transparent conducting material layer residing on a metal
3 material layer.

1 9. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 8, wherein the metal material is a
2 substantially non-transparent metal material

1 10. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 8, the transparent conducting material
2 layer and the metal material layer each contact the ohmic contact layer.

1 11. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 10, wherein the transparent conducting
2 material layer also contacts the active layer.

1 12. An optical detecting sensor according to claim 11, wherein the transparent conducting
2 material layer contacts the active layer at an edge thereof.

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1 13. A thin film transistor (TFT) image sensor, comprising:
2 a sensor TFT having a gate electrode and spaced apart first and second electrodes;
3 a switching TFT comprising,
4 a gate electrode,
5 an insulating layer formed on the gate electrode,
6 a semiconductor layer formed on the insulating layer above the gate electrode,
7 spaced apart first and second electrodes formed on the semiconductor layer
8 and defining a channel region therebetween in said semiconductor layer, and
9 a hole barrier layer between the semiconductor layer and at least one of the
10 first and second electrodes; and
11 a storage capacitor having a first electrode and a second electrode, the second
12 electrode of the storage capacitor being connected to the first electrode of the sensor TFT and
13 the second electrode of the switching TFT.

1 14. A thin film transistor (TFT) formed on a substrate, comprising:
2 a gate electrode formed on the substrate;
3 an insulating layer formed on the gate electrode;
4 a semiconductor layer formed on the insulating layer above the gate electrode;
5 source and drain electrodes spaced apart and formed on the semiconductor layer and
6 defining a channel region therebetween in said semiconductor layer; and
7 a hole barrier layer between the semiconductor layer and at least one of the source and
8 drain electrodes.

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